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## FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Attention: DO/EO/US MAIL STOP PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Docket:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified national patent application submitted herewith, applicants request entry of the following amendments.

Amendments to the Description begin on page 3 of this paper.

The abstract is attached hereto on a separate sheet of paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Submission of Formal Drawings and three (3) sheets of formal drawings are attached hereto.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.